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DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
DEPT. OF
TRANSPORTATION

RE: 2014 Revised STIP-4

Dear sirs:

The Kihei Community Association has reviewed the latest revision to the State Transportation Plan and as the community group representing Southwest Maui we would like to submit our view of the State's program. We understand comments on the revisions are due to be submitted to the state by the seventh of February.

The Kihei Community Plan encompasses the southwest costal portion of Maui from Maalaea to (Makena) La Perouse Bay. It appears that there are six specific projects that are shown in the State's program. Our review and comments on these projects are as follows:

Project MC 14, Kulanihakoi Bridge Replacement (Route 3100) South Kihei Road. This project is critical to the Kihei Community Association as it is one of only two bridges that cross the Kulanihakoi Gulch. These two bridges are the only public roads into South Kihei, Wailea, and Makena areas of Maui. The existing bridge is temporarily supported with the aid of steel plates without which the bridge is in danger of failing. We consider this to be an emergency project which should be constructed as soon as possible. In addition the preliminary designs fail to provide an aesthetically pleasing structure, which perhaps with additional funding could be achieved.

In summary, we fully support this structure with quicker start of construction and sufficient funding to improve the structure's aesthetics. For your information the attached letter was submitted in review of the preliminary design of the project.

Project MS 15 North Kihei Road (Route 3100) Shoreline Protection Vicinity of Kealia Pond (#6). The community is unfamiliar with this project. We support protection of North Kihei Road but have concerns about extensive beach fill. It is assumed that there will be additional information on this project so that we can lend support.

Project MC 25 Improvements a Maalaea Small Boat Harbor . Again we have insufficient information to fully support this project.

Project MC 34 Waipuilani Bikepath Construction from Kulanihakoi Street to Waipuilani State Park. The Kihei Community Association has always supported this project as we desire a walk able, bike able community. This project was scheduled to be constructed in 2013 and is now shown for construction funding in 2016. We desire that this project be constructed sooner and that it should tie into longer segments of bike paths.

Project MC 45 South Kihei Road (Route 3100) Pavement Rehab from Alanui Ke Aii to Kamole 111 South Entrance. The community supports this project.

Project MC 46 South Kihei Road (Route 3100) Traffic Signal Mod. from Lipoa Street to Piikea Avenue. The community would suggest an earlier construction of this much needed project. There exists severe congestion with the existing three signals that operate independently. Proper synchronizing of these signals can relieve some congestion, improve traffic flow and air quality, and reduce accidents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Moran', is written over a horizontal line.

Mike Moran

President Kihei Community Association



Kihei Community Association

"Working together to shape our Community's future"

August 6, 2013

Mayor Alan Arakawa
Office of the Mayor
200 S. High Street
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Aloha Mayor Arakawa,

We are writing regarding the proposed bridge replacement on South Kihei Road at Kulanihakoi Gulch.

The KCA Planning Committee met with David Goode and Milton Arakawa of Wilson Okamoto Corporation. After that meeting we wrote a letter following up on comments we had made during the meeting. We stated that we prefer a bridge rather than a culvert, with open rather than closed railings, and with the pedestrian way separated from vehicular traffic. The temporary bridge that they showed us is preferable to the final proposed culvert.

On July 16, at the KCA general meeting, the county made another presentation to our community. The proposal was unchanged from their initial proposal. The community's recommendations were recognized, yet not incorporated, nor even analyzed. We had hoped to see more progress in reviewing our input.

The bridge site is at a crucial location in a Federal Flood zone and contributes to the flooding. Neighbors in the surrounding area are concerned that the new bridge is not going to improve that situation. We feel that the suggestions we made to the designers would reduce significantly the flood zone, and should be investigated.

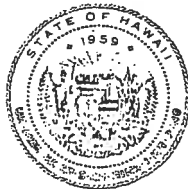
South Kihei Road is the gateway to the South Maui tourist area. This water crossing could set a standard as a scenic spot where pedestrians will want to linger, rather than the eyesore of the existing culvert.

We hope that you will encourage the Planning Department and Department of Public Works to think of the impact that this project has on our residents and on our valuable the tourist industry.

Thank you,

Mike Moran
KCA President

cc: Donald G. Couch, Jr., Councilman
William Spence, Director of Planning
David Goode, Director of Public Works



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March 6, 2014

Mr. Mike Moran
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Dear Mr. Moran:

Subject: 2014 Revised STIP-4

Thank you for the Kihei Community Association's comments dated January 19, 2014 on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Revision #17 and your continued support for our highways projects.

We forwarded your comments regarding MC14, MC34, MC45 and MC46 to the Maui County Department of Public Works since they are the agency responsible for these projects.

Project MS15 North Kihei Road (Route 310) Shoreline Protection Vicinity of Kealia Pond is currently programmed to receive construction funds in the illustrative years, particularly Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015. Projects with funds programmed in the illustrative years (FFY 2015-2016) have no financial commitments at this current time, and are listed for informational purposes only. A recent site inspection was done and based on the existing conditions, the design is anticipated to start in 2017 with construction in 2019. The initial scope of work was beach fill, but that may change due to the changed conditions since the initial scope was developed in 2003. Since this project is being designed at a later date, specific project scope will be available at a later time.

Also, we are currently developing the next STIP for FFY 2015-2018 with illustrative FFY 2019-2020. As we develop the next STIP, we are re-evaluating statewide priorities and have yet to determine if this project will remain in the STIP. We anticipate holding our first round of public meetings for the development of the FFY 2015-2018 STIP in May 2014. The second round of public meetings are anticipated to be held July-August 2014. Public notices, email notifications, Facebook posts and Twitter messages will be disseminated to inform the public of these meetings. We hope your association can attend.

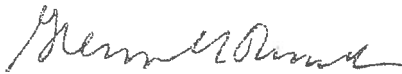
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Project MS25 Improvements at Maalaea Small Boat Harbor, Ferry System Improvements have already received construction funds in FFY 2013 for repairs to the existing loading dock and reconstructing the adjacent administrative office building on the South Mole, installing electrical utilities and street lights, water mains and other utilities, repair South Mole roadway and parking areas, and build a new comfort station. Ryan Fujii of our Statewide Transportation Planning office is responsible for this Federal Transit Administration program. If you have further questions about this project or program, you can contact him at (808) 831-7984 or by email at Ryan.Fujii@hawaii.gov.

If you have further questions or comments regarding the STIP, please contact Patrick Tom, STIP Manager, at (808) 587-6355 or by email at Patrick.Tom@hawaii.gov.

Very truly yours,



GLENN M. OKIMOTO, Ph.D.
Director of Transportation

c: David Goode, Department of Public Work

bc: STP (Ryan Fujii), HWY-PS

JT:th

Liz,

See our project related responses in [blue](#) below.

If these projects do not meet the time frame specified (i.e., they slip because of issues in the project phases (PLN, ENV, ROW, DES, CON)), how do they get addressed/ included in the new S/TIP currently in development?

As always, we continue to monitor project status (schedule and estimates) and do a risk-assessment on all STIP projects. We have also been coordinating with OahuMPO regarding the regularly scheduled S/TIP Amendment at the end of the FFY 2014, as well as making changes to the Draft FFY 2015-2018 S/TIP that is currently in development, to address/include any projects in the new S/TIP, as needed. We are looking at consolidating multi-phased projects where applicable.

Regarding your Planning Program comments, Ken had previously responded that we acknowledge comments A and C and that the STIP does include route numbers (comment B) for all projects where applicable. The OahuMPO TIP has been corrected to also show all route numbers.

STIP #	Project Title	Comments
KC1	Ahukini to Lydgate Bike/Pedestrian Path	May be close for the environment to go through, so I'm not sure if construction can be obligated this year. EA done waiting final FHWA approval. 3rd review at least. We understand that this is the last piece of the puzzle.
KC13	Puhi Road Rehab	No environment started that I know of, so I don't think construction will be this FY. Currently on schedule to obligate in late June with RTA in July at the earliest. A CAT-EX for this project was approved in 2010. Some of the environmental documentation needs refreshing. The Section 106 process may need up to another 3 months to complete.
KC9	Lydgate to Kapaa Bike/Ped Path Phase C&D	The County is requesting design build which our office has yet to approve, so that may be why construction and ROW are listed this year. Section 106 and 4f done, State EA should be done in March. If FHWA approves design build, can RTA by 5/30. If not, it's still possible for design to be obligated under a design-bid-build process.
MS22	Kamehameha V	Molokai is going to be state funded This project has federal monies programmed in FFY 2015.
MS36	(SMP) Main St.	estimate is off by a decimal. It should be \$5 million. Correct. This will be corrected on the SMP list.
OC7	Makakilo Drive Extension	I don't know about this project. I know an EA was completed a few years ago. There are no federal monies programmed for this project. Currently going through design.
OC8	Salt Lake Blvd Widening	I don't know if this project will be ready for construction this year because it is still in environment. This project has no federal monies programmed in FFY 2011-2014. However, at the 11/29/13 OSR: C&C reported that it was still working on EA; anticipated draft EA March 2014; anticipated final EA Dec. 2014; This being the case, project should be adjusted in the last revision of FFY 2014 and should be adjusted accordingly in the 2015-2018 (+2) TIP.
OC25	Kuakini Street Extension	I don't understand what happened with the local match. The City informs us that more local match was needed for this project. Because of their budgeting process, they wanted these funds to appear in the TIP.
OS22	Kapolei IC Complex, Phase 2	Reviewing 100% PS&E. UAs have not been started, PM recommends deferring RTA until Dec. 2014. UA's have not been cleared yet since HECO, HTCO, & TWC are not willing to pay. Going to send letters for utility companies' confirmation of utility share in writing. If this is not resolved it is likely that adjustments will be needed in the current and new TIPs.
OS34	Kalaniana'ole Highway Improvements Phase I, Olomana Golf Course to Poalima Street	Move CON from FY14 to FY15. NPDES should be cleared soon. Just revised ROW map. ROW could hold back the project. Adjustments may be needed to the current and new TIP.
OS82	Makaha Bridges	Engineer's estimate of \$12.5/3.1 M (needs updating 2010 est.)Catex pending; re-filing 401/404 permit; R/W offer pending; PM recommends deferring to FY15 . Just changed ROW map. ROW is holding back the project. Adjustments may be needed to the current and new TIP.
OS84	Kalaniana'ole Highway Bicycle Improvements	That project needs to be confirmed if still on the STIP or if was deobligated. No funds were ever obligated. It's still being developed for FFY 2015.
OS94	Karsten Thot Bridge Repair & Repaint	Will develop Catex once Section 106 determination is cleared, other clearances complete; 100% PS&E is being revised; target is to obligate in March/April and advertise in May. RTA July 2014. Received 106 determination letter.
OS96	Middle Street Pavement Reconstruction, King Street to	Using Highways for Life and funds; target is to obligate in May. Remaining, outstanding issues include DCAB, noise permit, Section 7, R/W and Section 106.

	Kamehameha Highway	60% plans ready to submit. RTA is mid-2014. 60% submittal currently routing. Environmental clearances are still in progress. DCAB should not be a problem. Noise permit and Section 7 clearance are expected in a month. No ROW acquisition anticipated. We anticipate no problems getting Section 106 clearance from SHPD.
OS97	Sand Island Access Road (Route 64) Kapalama Container Terminal	There is no NEPA completed for this project. I believe that they had an HRS 343 doc, but it may have to be revised due to the molasses spill. NEPA and HRS 343 efforts are still ongoing. It cannot be determined at this time if the environmental will be completed in time for DES obligation in FFY 2014. This will be monitored and adjustments will be made to the current and new TIP as appropriate.

Intergovernmental Review of the FFYs 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Draft Revision #28

The Intergovernmental review period for Draft Revision #28 to the FFYs 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program began on December 31, 2013 and concluded on January 28, 2014. Draft Revision #28 was mailed to 56 agencies for their review. Of the 19 agencies that responded, one provided comments.

Agency	Comment	Response
Department of Emergency Management	Agency notes the lack of projects involving Oahu emergency evacuation road plans. Agency requests consideration of additional funds from OahuMPO to complete the remaining portion of the Oahu Emergency Evacuation Plan. Agency also requests coordination with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Transportation Services to share information as well as possible implementation of emergency safeguards.	OahuMPO is in the process of developing its FYs 2015-2016 Overall Work Program, which is where the additional funds would be identified and budgeted.
Department of Land and Natural Resources - Commission on Water Resource Management	Agency states that a Stream Channel Alteration Permit is required before any alteration can be made to the bed and/or banks of a stream channel.	OahuMPO will forward this comment to the Department of Transportation for their information.
Department of Planning and Permitting	Agency supports the addition of the Makakilo Drive Extension.	OahuMPO will forward this comment to the Department of Transportation Services for their information.

The following agencies responded with no comment:

Board of Water Supply
Department of Accounting and General Services
Department of Budget and Finance
Department of Community Services
Department of Customer Services
Department of Design and Construction
Department of Facility Maintenance
Department of Hawaiian Homelands
Department of Human Services
Department of Land and Natural Resources - Land Division, Oahu District
Department of Land and Natural Resources - Engineering Division
Department of Land and Natural Resources - Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation
Department of Land and Natural Resources - Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
Department of Parks and Recreation
Department of Transportation Services
Honolulu Police Department
Marine Corps Base Hawaii
Oceanic Cable
Office of Hawaiian Affairs



Revision #28 to the FFY 2011-2014 Oahu Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - DLNR, Land Division/Water Resource Management Comment

Patrick Tom to: Steve Molmen, Dean D Uyeno

02/27/2014 08:47 AM

Cc: Ken Tatsuguchi, Jill M Tanabe, lynne.kong, Marshall Ando

Steve/Dean,

The State DOT has been forwarded your comment (dated January 30, 2014) on the Subject by the Oahu MPO.

The comment was a reminder that a Stream Channel Alteration Permit(s) is (are) required before any alternations(s) can be made to the bed and/or banks of a stream.

Thank you for your comment. It is our standard operating procedure to make sure that any required permits (including the SCAP) are obtained through our design phase before the construction phase can be funded and proceed.

I have forwarded your comment and this response to our Design Branch for their information.

Thanks again for your comment. Intergovernmental review of our program is an important part of the Oahu TIP and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) development and maintenance process.

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STIP Manager
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